

Trivia Question of the Month:

In how many places on a 356 is
the serial number
(or portion thereof) marked?

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While in the process of restoring Convertible D * 85643 (Drauz, October, 1958) I began to notice a large number of parts that were somehow marked with the car's I.D. number. I kept an ongoing list of these parts throughout the restoration process. To the best of my knowledge, all the numbers are authentic. They are listed in the accompanying chart.

PART	LOCATION	NUMBER
Chassis I.D. Plate	usual	85643
Bulk Head	usual	85643
Door Hinge I.D. plate	usual	85643
Door Hinge cover plate	bottom	43
Doors	usual	643
Doors	inside skin (yellow crayon).....	643
Front Deck	hinge strap	643
Front Deck Latch	finger tongue	43
Front Bumper	inside lower lip	643
Front Bumper over tube	base at bumper	43
Rear Bumper	inside lower lip	643
Rear Bumper over tubes	Base at bumper	43
Windshield Frame	beneath top left latch	643
Windshield posts	base to car	43
Rear deck lid	bottom of weather shield	643
Rear Deck locking tongue	on face	43
Top bow	Front top brace	643
Eye brow wood	base to dash (pencil)	43
Gas Tank	lower left lip	43
Door Panel	inside (white chalk)	643
Seats	bottom (yellow crayon)	643
Seat backs	beneath hinge (yellow crayon).....	D643
Top Hinge cover plates	center inboard (yellow crayon).....	43
Door Garnish	inside of steel (chalk)	43
Window regulator	center (white chalk)	43
Rear Cowl cover Alum.	center each (stamped)	643
Dash trim Alum.	left side (stamped)	643
Dash Vinyl	inside (white chalk)	643
Drivers Pedal Board	backside (yellow crayon)	43
Windshield seal rails	backside	43